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# Ducks double up on Tulsa

Swinnen and Teig win a doubles match for Oregon in the main draw of their tournament in Tennessee

whole different level than yesterday." Teig and Swinnen were the victims of a stomach flu that affected the entire Oregon team Wednesday, and caused the Ducks to perform poorly that day. But Swinnen and Teig made the most of their "lucky loser" ticket into the main draw by performing well Thursday.

The sophomore singles star will continue his tournament in the consolation rounds this weekend. He takes on No. 40 Carlos Palencia of California-Santa Barbara today.

## Panova ends run

Daria Panova, the top player on the Oregon women's tennis squad, ended her run at the Riviera/ITA All-American Championships with a loss to Harvard's Eva Wang, 6-2, 6-2, on Thursday.

Panova beat No. 88 Emily Marker of Maryland earlier Thursday in Pacific Palisades, Calif., 7-6, 6-3.

Panova's loss Thursday afternoon was her fifth match in three days.

"She was feeling the fatigue from all the sets she played earlier," Oregon assistant coach Kathy Sell said. "Overall, though, it was a great trip and a great performance."

Panova beat two ranked players in the tournament, including No. 32 Anne Nguyen of Georgia.

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## Tennis

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Sven Swinnen and Oded Teig may have slipped into the main draw at the Icy Hot/ITA All-American Championships, but when they got there, they hardly slipped at all.

Swinnen and Teig won their first round doubles match over Ryan Livesay and Dustin Taylor of Tulsa, 8-6 on Thursday in Chattanooga, Tenn. The tandem nearly turned around to upset the No. 8-seeded Carlos Lozano and Erik Nyman of BYU, but the Ducks lost 8-6, ending their tournament run.

"They're making progress," Oregon head coach Chris Russell said. "They rallied well today and played at a

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Oregon head coach

On the singles side of the draw, Oregon sophomore Manuel Kost lost his first-round match to Baylor's Benjamin Becker, 5-7, 6-4, 6-2. Becker was the No. 3 seed in the tournament.

"It was very evident he'll be at the level he needs to be to win this year," Russell said of Kost.

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of it is the fun process of having a program grow through recruiting. You identify the type of athletes that you feel it is going to take to succeed at this level.

"For them to succeed at this level right off the bat is the talent level they bring to the program. It's not necessarily as much as what you've taught them to start with. That's just the recruitment of quality players. They have definitely helped influence the program in a significant way."

Naturally, playing the cream of the Pac-10 crop would seem to be an intimidating factor for some of Oregon's youngsters. But according to Bell, it should be just another match.

"I just look across the net and play as if it was anyone else, whether it was Washington, Washington State, or Stanford," she said. "It doesn't matter. You just go out there and play."

The Bruins, who Oregon took to four games last season at McArthur Court before the Ducks eventually tasted defeat, are 3-1 in their last four matches, although the single loss was to Stanford. UCLA has history on its side with head coach Andy Banachowski, who is in his 36th collegiate season and has an all-time record of 929-227.

The Bruins also feature a balanced squad, led by senior Lauren Fendrick, who needs just 52 digs to become the 13th UCLA player of all time to reach the 1,000-dig plateau.

But to the Ducks, the faces are nameless and the teams recordless. Oregon treats each week as a separate entity.

"We're in the middle of the season," Ferreira said. "We focus on this week the same way we focused on last week, which is the same way we focused on the first week of competition in September. You don't change anything you're doing. I do think you end up making a transition, and I think the transition is some of the things you are able to do in your non-conference schedule are not necessarily some of the things you can do successfully in conference."

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## Soccer

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if history repeats itself. Oregon blew out Washington State 4-0 last year in Pullman. The Cougars were victorious in 2000 in Eugene but in 1999, the Ducks won 2-1 in overtime.

"They have been through the rigors as much as anyone else," said Oregon head coach Bill Steffen, referring to the Cougars.

Washington State started the season strong, but has lost four of its last five en route to a 6-4-0 record. The Cougars' last win came against Gonzaga, an 8-0 pounding on Sept. 22.

Oregon's rivalry with the Washington schools extends beyond this

history. Many of the Ducks have competed with the Huskies and Cougars in league or club play in the past. It comes down to more than a game for the Ducks, it's a matter of pride and bragging rights as well.

Junior forward Melissa Bennet leads the way for Washington in tonight's match with 18 points and 10 assists under her belt already. The Huskies can feel comfortable with their defense with senior goalkeeper Hope Solo sporting a 1.14 goals-against-average and has 45 saves.

Solo has been a three-time Pac-10 first-team honoree and was the league player of the year in 2001.

For the Cougars, junior forward Nicole Wilcox leads the way in scor-

ing with five goals and 32 shots followed by freshman forward Alix Rustrum at four goals and five assists. Goalkeeper Sara Leibowitz is a threat, as she has already posted three shutouts and a 0.90 GAA in eight of nine games starting.

Oregon is led by senior Amanda Orand, who has two goals and five shots on goal this season. Freshmen midfielders Carlie Ashcraft and Cristan Higa have also proven their status as strong offensive players.

"We have good rivalries with those two teams," Steffen said. "We'll be pumped for them and they'll be pumped for us."

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